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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The claims in this listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An agent for dissolving dental calculus and/or dental caries, which comprises one or more kinds of substances selected from the group consisting of inositol phosphoric acid esters, polyphenols, phosphoric acids, edetic acid salts, tartaric acid, malic acid, citric acid, a polyphenol and glycolic acid as an active ingredient.

2. (Canceled)

- 3. (Currently Amended) The agent for dissolving dental calculus and/or dental caries according to claim 1, which comprises one or more kinds of substances wherein the polyphenol is selected from the group consisting of *Perilla frutescen var. crispa* polyphenols, cassis polyphenols, hop polyphenols, and sugar cane polyphenols, and disodium edetate as an active ingredient.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The agent for dissolving dental calculus and/or dental earies according to claim 1, which further comprises an inorganic metal salt.

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5. (Currently Amended) The agent for dissolving dental calculus and/or dental carries according to claim 4, wherein the inorganic metal salt is sodium chloride.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The agent for dissolving dental calculus and/or dental carries according to claim 1, which further comprises a bacteriolytic enzyme.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The agent for dissolving dental calculus and/or dental caries according to claim 6, wherein the bacteriolytic enzyme eonsists of one or more kinds of bacteriolytic enzymes is selected from the group consisting of albumen lysozyme, pectinases, proteases, and alginate lyases.
 - 8. 13. (Canceled)